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Objective: provide forum for exchange of information and to coordinate activities and programs on the African continent

Participants: Over 40 personnel

- **Countries: Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, UK, and the US**
- **International Organizations: EU and SHIRBRIG**
- **Others: OSD African Affairs, Joint Staff J5 Africa Division, DOS African Affairs, and Africa Center for Strategic Studies**
- **EUCOM representatives: ECJ5-A, EPOC/JTRE; J6, J4, J2, PAO**
- **CENTCOM representatives: CENTCOM J5 Combined Planning Group; J5, CJTF HOA; CENTCOM J3 Africa**

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- **EUCOM's Strategy for Africa briefing**
- **Support to development of "Engagement Database" for info sharing modeled after EUCOM's TEPMIS**
- **Discussion on support of Africa Depots**
- **Exercise coordination integrated into ACH**
- **AU Deployment to Sudan**
- **Combined G-8 / Africa clearing house effort**
- **Support to African Union and development of African Standby Forces—in sync with USEUCOM Africa strategy**

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Way ahead:

- **UK tentative host for next ACH as G-8 Chair—UK lead**
  - **Netherlands / French offer to co-host**
- **Reps will gain national approval for integration with G-8—all**
  - **Sub meeting of G8 clearing House**
  - **Robust exercise coordination meeting**
- **Establish database steering committee—US lead**
- **Reps will gain national approval for database concept—all**
- **Support / Training to deployed AU forces—UK, Canada, Netherlands, France, US**
- **Participation in FLINTLOCK**